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REMARKS

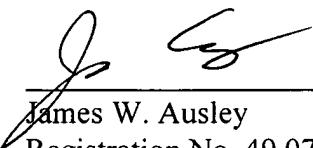
In the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that Claims 1-3, 6, 7, 12, 13, and 15 are allowable and distinguished over the prior art of record. The Examiner however rejects claims 8-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cockburn (U.S. Patent 6,041,930) in view of Coggswell (U.S. Patent No. 5,529,188). The Applicant hereby cancels previously pending Claims 8-11 without traverse and thus believes that the rejection is now moot due to the cancelled status of the claims. As the remaining claims have been indicated as allowed by the Examiner, the Applicant thus believes that the subject application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests prompt issuance of a notice of allowability. The Applicant believes that this paper is fully responsive to the rejections made by the Examiner in the Office Action, however, should there remain any further impediment to the allowance of this application that might be resolved by telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the indicated telephone number.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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